

To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 1087 without my signature.

Measures that increase the sales and use tax revenues collected by the state must be approved by two-thirds of the Legislature as required by Proposition 13. While I understand the author's intent to simplify the calculation of sales and use taxes, this bill would directly increase the amount of sales tax revenue collected from the consumer. Thus, this bill is a tax levy and requires a two-thirds vote of the Legislature.

Since this bill was only approved by a majority vote, this bill presents constitutional issues. For this reason, I will not reconsider this bill until it receives a two-thirds vote of the Legislature.

Sincerely,

Arnold Schwarzenegger